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## NATIONAL PHILANTHROPY.

"The money that would be spent in conquering and garrisoning the Philippines and crushing out the desire of the natives for self-government would, if expended in improving the internal waterways of this country, increase our home trade 100 per cent," reasons the Pittsburg Dispatch (Rep.). "A year's cost of maintaining an army on the other side of the world, if expended in irrigating the arid lands of the West, would add millions of acres to our productive territory. A single million honestly spent at home would yield the people of the United States more real benefit than a score of millions spent in military conquest in the East."

No doubt it would. There are many millions of acres of land in the new States that remain unproductive through lack of great irrigation systems.

The State of Wyoming for instance, is in a condition of arrested development because its water supply is not utilized. The agricultural resources of California are largely idle because the vast supply of water gathered yearly from the extensive water sheds is not utilized for want of capital.

In a sparsely settled region, peopled mainly by pioneers, capital is very limited. In the course of years, capital may accumulate or be brought into the region, if returns on it are believed to be sure. But the opening up of the American deserts by irrigation works, paid for by the general government, would make homesteads for many millions of people and relieve much actual suffering. If the several hundred millions, expended in the Spanish war, had been expended in making these vast areas habitable, great good would have been done.

But schemes of this kind are not practicable. National thought does not run out on such lines.

Within two years, events have placed the proposition before the American people, "will you confine all of your power, backed by wealth, energy and intelligence and great numbers to the development of your own moral condition, or will you recognize a national duty of establishing law and order and intelligent rule among other people, who are so weak and ignorant that they cannot help themselves?"

The first century of American life has been unconsciously spent in raising and organizing a powerful national unity. In a world where physical force, the bayonet and the battleship, are the supreme law in international matters, the American people could not undertake to ameliorate the condition of mankind until they possessed physical superiority. They now possess it, and at once come under the obligation to aid suffering mankind. The advice of Washington regarding neutrality in foreign matters, was surely wise in his day and generation, but is unwise and supremely selfish now. A powerful nation violates the moral law when it remains neutral in the presence of national wickedness and suffering just as a rich and powerful man violates the moral law, if he allows his next door neighbor to beat or torture wife and children. It is this proposition that now underlies and will determine the national policy towards the Philippines.

In spite of a strong opposition against the policy of expansion, it can be seen that even the strongest opponents of that policy are gradually accepting the belief that the expansion of good government is the only enlightened policy.

And because the leaders of the Republican party realized this, that party dominates today in the States. It recognizes the duty of the nation to do something more than build up the western territory. While a large body of the people favor expansion for the money that may be in it, another large body favors it for the real philanthropy that is in it.

## UNFRIENDLY SOUTH AMERICANS.

The prevailing opinion is that the battleships Oregon and Iowa will visit a number of the South American ports before they will arrive at this port or in San Francisco. The plan of sending colliers with them is, in plain language, a plan for defeating the South American States that are quite ready to cripple the movement of the ships by refusing to permit them to take in coal. Whether a warship of a belligerent may or may not, during a suspension of hostilities, obtain a full supply of coal in a neutral port, is not well settled among international authorities. If it is permitted one belligerent may obtain an undue advantage over another. An unfriendly neutral may refuse the courtesies of its ports, and create much embarrassment.

Nearly all of the Spanish-American countries are now unfriendly to the United States, although they have no love for the Spanish Government. During the sessions of the Pan-American

convention in Washington, over which Mr. Blaine presided so admirably, many of the representatives in private talk stated that the opinion generally prevailed in South America that the United States would finally become aggressive in that region, and repeat their cruel robbery of Mexico. Mr. Blaine, of course, assured them that the American people had become highly moral creatures, and wished to do right and set an example of an enlightened policy to all nations, especially to the South American. One of the delegates suggested that nothing would show a high and enlightened policy so admirably, as the restoration of the territory of California to Mexico.

Of course the South American Republics will not for a moment concede their moral inferiority to the United States. But they regard the policy of war for the sake of humanity as a kind of solemn moral fake invented by the cute Yankees in order to conquer weaker nations. It is doubtful that there is any considerable number of the most intelligent people of that continent who have any faith in the honest intentions of the American people or their Government.

Under these circumstances there is nothing to do but give the people of the South American States an occasion for looking upon the great battleships. And if the privilege of coaling is refused, the colliers will supply the needs.

Another and very important experiment will be tried, that of sending great warships on long voyages with arrangements for coaling them at sea. Should a simple and effective way be discovered of doing it, another long step will be made in naval warfare, and the need of coaling stations be less imperative.

## OPPORTUNITY.

Naval Constructor Hobson in attempting to raise the Spanish warship Colon, has staked his reputation against the judgment of the most experienced wreckers of the country. Should he succeed, he will take rank as the ablest "wrecker" in America. Should he fail—let us wait until he has failed.

The historian Bancroft, in one of his poems, says that even if the American continent had not existed, the Almighty would have called it into being in order to reward the daring of Columbus in sailing the unknown ocean in search of land.

One-half of the population of the earth is ruled by two women, the Empress of China and Queen Victoria. The Richmond Dispatch says that the truth is that the other half is also ruled by women.

## THE PASSING HOUR.

If this town could get along a week without some kind of a quasi-public jar there would probably be almost unanimous sentiment in favor of a general love feast.

It is not necessarily a final condemnation of a license arrangement that certain people for whose benefit, largely, it was made, sneer at it. But the sneering may be reckoned with when legislating time comes around again.

War piles up most interesting comparative situations or circumstances. Many of the enlisted men at Camp McKinley detailed at shaping rough lumber into rough barracks are owners of fine private residences at their homes.

Those biased Americans in charge of Manila have closed the Government pawnshops and the gambling house owners are up in arms through the local Spanish papers. An effective blow always has the virtue of indicating where it is felt the most.

So eminent and nicely respectable and reliable a newspaper as the New York Herald is this state for the statement that the girl of the day has finally utilized the soldier button as a garter clasp or buckle. These newspaper fellows seem to be able to find out about 'most anything.

Hugh Craig, of San Francisco, has his name in the papers there nearly every day. He is president of the Chamber of Commerce, an active and influential society of business men. Stores are opened a little late of mornings now in "The City," for Mr. Craig is visiting Omaha. He has gone to the Trans-Mississippi Exposition as Commissioner of the Coolgardie exposition. There is to be a big show out

in Coolgardie and it might not be a bad place for the advertisement of Hawaiian coffee.

There is something terse and decisive about the Supreme Court opinion here that commands admiration, no matter what the issue or decision. Hawaii has often been complimented on her judicial system and the reports of the highest tribunal are held as of value in every country.

The native women of the various hails are the real thing politically. They propose each one to have a say and in manner of organization transactions tend towards Populist methods or precedents. It is evident for one thing that they do not believe in manhood suffrage alone. Perhaps they could be induced to adopt the A. U. P. gospel for a "liberal suffrage."

Gen. Fitzhugh Lee makes a pretty fair estimate of the citizen soldiery in saying that he very much likes the volunteer for fighting—that they are brave, uncompromising and victorious; but that in camp, especially on their own soil, they have too many fathers, mothers, sisters, brothers, lovers and friends for the good of the service or the comfort of themselves or their officers.

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